



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FISH AND GAME
COMMISSION
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://fishandgame.lacountycommissions.info>**

Thursday, August 14, 2014

6:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-3797)

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Call to Order. (14-2923)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hybarger at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Chair John Hybarger, Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg M.D. M.P.H.,
Commissioner Greg Bombard, Commissioner James W. Etter
and Commissioner Lee Wax

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the April 10, 2014 Minutes. (14-2924)

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Greg Bombard, unanimously carried, the minutes of April 10, 2014 were approved.

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2. State of California Fish and Game Commission

Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action relative to:

- Section 786.9, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, relating to take of rare plants
- Sections 163 and 164, Title 14 California Code Regulations, relating to harvest of herring and harvesting of herring eggs
- Section 180.6, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, relating to a minimum hole diameter for commercial hagfish traps
- Section 200.12, 200.29 and 200.31, Title 14, California Code of

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- Regulations, relating to the prohibition of the use of Tiger Salamanders as bait
 - Gateway Ranch Los Angeles County Project ID: 2011031
 - Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains Re: Restoration Tools Grant
 - Notice of Location Change for Discussion/Adoption Hearings on Proposed Regulatory Actions (14-3022)

After a review of all the correspondence received for the period of April 10, 2014 through August 13, 2014, on motion of Commissioner Greg Bombard, seconded by Vice Chair Aronberg, unanimously carried, the correspondence was received and filed.

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3. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Propagation Fund Summary of Income, Expenditures, and Fund Balance Report, ending June 30, 2014 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. (14-3077)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission Propagation Fund Balance Report as of June 30, 2014 was \$99,613.45. This total includes an encumbrance of \$6,705.60 leaving the available balance at \$92,907.85.

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax, unanimously carried, the Propagation Fund Balance Report was received and filed.

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4. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Reconciliation Report, ending June 30, 2014 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. (14-3078)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Balance Report for the month of June 2014 remains at \$6,496.99.

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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5. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for August 14, 2014. (14-3079)

Staff reported that contact has been made with Fire Camp #2 regarding

the November 14, 2014 Fish and Game (Conference). Staff request for a quote is pending.

Staff also reported that meetings have been held with Regional Planning, the Department of Public Works and County Counsel regarding the firearm Closure Map and amendments to County Code, Title 13. Staff will provide the Commission with an update at a future meeting.

II. PRESENTATIONS

6. Review and approval of the request from Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains, to amend the initial grant proposal in the amount of \$1,175.00 that was authorized for a frame mount needed to support the DIDSON camera, to include the purchase of a new laptop computer in the amount of \$644.00. (14-3359)

Chair Hybarger stated that this request was granted by the Commission prior to the July 2014 meeting for the purchase of a frame mount. Because the equipment was purchased at a discounted rate, the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains (RCDSMM) asked the Commission if the funds can be used to purchase a laptop computer. Chair Hybarger recommended that since the funds were already allocated, that the initial request be amended to reflect that the unused funds will go towards the purchase of a laptop computer.

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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7. Presentation and consideration of grant request from RCD of the Santa Monica Mountains in the amount of \$5,451. (14-3684)

Mr. John Hendra, Operations Manager, RCDSMM, presented a grant request in the amount of \$5,451.00 for the purchase of a Data Sonde and other aging equipment. Mr. Hendra expressed that Malibu Creek has experienced a couple of die offs of trout and other fish. The Data Sonde records data, PH balance, dissolved oxygen levels and water temperature that will aid in the prevention of future die offs.

After discussion, on motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Greg Bombard, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Attachments: [RCDSMM Malibu Data Sonde proposal 8 7 14](#)

8. Presentation and consideration of grant requests from the International Bird Rescue in the amount of \$2,500. (14-3003)

Ms. Erica Lander, International Bird Rescue, presented a grant request for the care of a Pelican Bird that has been inflicted by a deliberate act of animal cruelty. The Pelican suffered from blood loss, weight loss and is in need of multiple surgeries. After the review and discussion of the grant request, Commissioner James Etter motioned to approve the grant in the amount of \$2,500. Said motion failed for lack of a second.

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9. Presentation on the Annenberg Foundation and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's propose "Urban Ecology" center to be constructed at the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve.

- Walter Lamb
President, Ballona Wetlands Land Trust (14-3006)

Mr. Walter Lamb, President, Ballona Wetlands Land Trust, presented an overview of the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve and answered questions posed by the Commission.

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III. REPORTS

10. Chairperson's report on various items for August 14, 2014. (14-2925)

Chair Hybarger reported that on August 19, 2014 Chaffey College will host a Fish and Wildlife presentation. Chair Hybarger plans to attend.

11. Commissioners' Reports for August 2014. (14-2928)

There was no report presented.

IV. DISCUSSIONS

12. Discussion regarding the hosting of the 2014 Fish and Game Conference. (14-2927)

Chair Hybarger informed the Commissioners that they will be hosting the Conference at Fire Camp #2; and inquired if staff will be in attendance and assist the Commission. Chair Hybarger asked the Commissioners to express their thoughts regarding hosting the Conference.

Commissioner Etter stated that the last Conference was well organized and is a great way to communicate with other Commissions and districts. He also stated that the drought is currently a huge issue that may affect wildlife.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

- 13.** Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-2929)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

- 14.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (14-2930)

There were no members of the public present to comment.

Adjournment

- 15.** Adjournment for the meeting of August 14, 2014. (14-2931)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.